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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 December 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claims 1, 3-7, and 9-13 objected to because of the following informalities: "TTY" is not spelled out. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vejlgaard (US Pat Pub# 2003/0053603) in view of Lieberman et al. (US Pat# 6,385,463).

Regarding claim 1, Vejlgaard's system for detecting a connection of a text telephone device to a mobile phone teaches a mobile communication device 230 (Fig. 2) having TTY communication capability (Section 0027), the mobile communication device comprising a microprocessor (Sections 0026-0028); memory associated with the microprocessor (Sections 0026-0028, it would be obvious there has to be memory in order to execute instructions carried out by the processor); mobile user interface in communication with the microprocessor 210, 220, and 230 (Fig. 2 and Sections 0026-0028); and conversion information stored in the memory for conversion between alphanumeric data and TTY formatted data (Sections 0025-0030, it is obvious again there has to be a conversion of alphanumeric data from the mobile device 230 (Fig. 2)

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into the TTY encoder 228 (Fig. 2) and vice versa, it is obvious there is memory in order to carry out the alphanumeric data instructions to the processor to convert to TTY data as shown in figure 2). Vejlgaard fails to clearly teach conversion information stored in the memory.

It would be obvious that there is memory for conversion information in Vejlgaard, but to give a basic example of this limitation, Lieberman will be relied upon for evidence.

Liebermann teaches a mobile communication device 102 (Fig. 1) having text communication capability (Col. 1 lines 38-58), the mobile communication device comprising a microprocessor 112 (Fig. 1); memory 114 and 132 (Fig. 1) associated with the microprocessor; mobile user interface 120, 122, and 126 (Fig. 1) in communication with the microprocessor; and conversion information stored in the memory for conversion between alphanumeric data and text formatted data (Col. 3 line 66-Col. 4 line 10).

Therefore, it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate conversion information stored in the memory as taught by Lieberman into Vejlgaard's system for detecting a connection of a text telephone device to a mobile phone in order to enter text in a mobile phone easier (Col. 1 lines 26-34).

Regarding claim 2, the combination including Liebermann teaches a display 120 (Fig. 1) for the display of alphanumeric data to a user (Col. 3 lines 20-25); and a user input mechanism 122 and 126 (Fig. 1).

Regarding claim 3, the combination including Vejlgaard teaches an encoder 228 (Fig. 2) for encoding TTY packet extension data to a signal for transmission from the mobile communication device, the encoder in communication with the microprocessor (Section 0025-0030).

Regarding claim 4, the combination including Vejlgaard teaches a decoder 222 (Fig. 2) for decoding TTY formatted data received by the mobile communication device the decoder in communication with the microprocessor (Section 0025-0030).

Regarding claim 5, the combination including Vejlgaard teaches a TTY tone generator for generating TTY tone formatted data for transmission from the mobile communication device, the TTY tone generator in communication with the microprocessor (Fig. 2 and Sections 0025-0030).

Regarding claim 6, the combination including Vejlgaard teaches a TTY tone detector for detecting TTY tone formatted data received by the mobile communication device, the TTY tone detector in communication with the microprocessor (Fig. 2 and Sections 0025-0030).

Regarding claim 7, method claim 7 is rejected for the same reason as apparatus claim 1 since the recited elements would perform the claimed steps.

Regarding claim 8, method claim 8 is rejected for the same reason as apparatus claim 2 since the recited elements would perform the claimed steps.

Regarding claim 9, the combination including Vejlgaard teaches wherein the step of converting between alphanumeric data and TTY formatted data comprises converting TTY formatted data received by the mobile into alphanumeric data with the

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microprocessor (Fig. 2 and Sections 0025-0030); and displaying the alphanumeric data on a display of the mobile communication device (Fig. 2, again is obvious there is a display in order for the user to be able to communicate). Vejlgaard fails to clearly teach a display.

Lieberman teaches wherein the step of converting between alphanumeric data and text formatted data comprises converting text formatted data received by the mobile into alphanumeric data with the microprocessor (Col. 3 line 66-Col. 4 line 10); and displaying the alphanumeric data on a display of the mobile communication device 120 (Fig. 1).

Regarding claim 10, method claim 10 is rejected for the same reason as apparatus claim 4 since the recited elements would perform the claimed steps.

Regarding claim 11, method claim 11 is rejected for the same reason as apparatus claim 6 since the recited elements would perform the claimed steps.

Regarding claim 12, method claim 12 is rejected for the same reason as apparatus claim 3 since the recited elements would perform the claimed steps.

Regarding claim 13, method claim 13 is rejected for the same reason as apparatus claim 5 since the recited elements would perform the claimed steps.

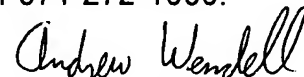
Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew Wendell whose telephone number is 571-272-0557. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30-5 M-F.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nay Maung can be reached on 571-272-7882. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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